



MINUTES
Board of Commissioners Chambers
219 East Paw Paw Street

July 25, 2023

Commissioners

Gail Patterson-Gladney, District 1
Mike Chappell, District 2
Kurt Doroh, District 3
Richard Godfrey, District 4
Randall Peat, District 5
Tina Leary, District 6
Paul Schincariol, District 7

Committee of the Whole Meeting

1. **Call to Order**
The Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order at 01:00 PM by Randall Peat, Chairman of the Board. Present: Patterson-Gladney, Chappell, Doroh, Godfrey, Peat and Leary. Absent and excused: Schincariol.
2. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion by Mike Chappell, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. **July 11th, 2023 Committee of the Whole Minutes**
Motion to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.
Motion by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried
5. **Public Comment**
6. **Presentation**
 - A. **DCS Broadband**
Chris Scharrer was unable to attend the meeting and John Faul presented a brief update. Mr. Scharrer will address the Board in August.
7. **Administrative Affairs**
 - A. **Appointment to the Opioid Committee - Cande Rutherford**
Due to the retirement of Becky Fatzinger there is a vacancy on the Opioid Committee. Cande Rutherford is a Division Manager of Community Services at VBC Community Mental Health as is being recommended to fill the position.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the appointment of Cande Rutherford to fill the vacancy on the Opioid Committee.
Motion by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Second by Kurt Doroh, Carried
 - B. **Re-Monumentation Committee Appointment - Jerry Happel**

There is a request to appoint Jerry Happel, the new GIS Director, to the Re-Monumentation Committee.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the appointment of Jerry Happel to the Re-Monumentation Committee. Motion by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Second by Mike Chappell, Carried

C. Community Development Block Grant - Housing Program Income

Administrator Faul provided an update on the Community Development Block Grant - Housing Program Income. For Program Year 21-22 the report was not done timely and the \$58,866 must be returned to the State. For Program Year 22-23 the amount of \$18,700 is de-federalized and will be allocated as the County Board sees fit.

8. Buildings and Grounds

A. Use of County Property - Paw Paw Vineyard Classic Bicycle Tour

Kalamazoo Experiential Learning Center is now hosting the annual Paw Paw Vineyard Classic Bicycle Tour during Wine and Harvest Festival, and is requesting use of the parking lot at 801 Hazen St., Paw Paw for registration on September 10, 2023 from 7 am to 1 pm.

Motion to approve by resolution at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, the use of County property at 801 Hazen St., Paw Paw on September 10, 2023 for registration for the Paw Paw Vineyard Classic Bicycle Tour. Motion by Tina Leary, Second by Richard Godfrey, Carried

9. Finance

A. Draft 2023-2024 Budget

Finance Director Lorna Nenciarini provided a summary of the FY 2023-2024 Draft Budget and is requesting the required hearing be scheduled for August 8, 2023 at 12:50 p.m.

Motion to set the mandated Public Hearing on the FY 2023-2024 Budget for Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 12:50 p.m.

Motion by Richard Godfrey, Second by Mike Chappell, Carried

B. Foster Swift Invoice

The Foster Swift invoice was reviewed.

Motion to pay the Foster Swift Invoice in the amount of \$3,378.68 for the NCG litigation subject to the Cost Sharing Agreement.

Motion by Richard Godfrey, Second by Gail Patterson-Gladney, Carried

10. Labor, Negotiations, and Contracts

11. Public Transit

12. Veterans Services

13. Road Commission Update

A. Van Buren County Road Commission Update

Bret Witkowski presented the monthly Road Commission update.

14. Public Comment

15. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 01:33 PM.

Suzie Roehm, County Clerk